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ATTENTION: JAMES N. SITES, ROOM 2324 MT; COPY TO
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SUBJECT: SPEAKING INVITATIONS TO SECRETARY SIMON

FOLLOWING REPEAT OF TELEGRAMS REGARDING SPEAKING
INVITATIONS FOR SECRETARY SIMON DURING HIS JUNE VISIT TO
PARIS.

PARIS 9174 OF APRIL 11:

1. MILT FREUDENHEIM OF CHICAGO DAILY NEWS, PRESIDENT OF
THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION IN PARIS, TELLS US
HE MET SECRETARY SIMON AT OECD APRIL 9 AND ASKED HIM TO
BE THE ASSOCIATION'S GUEST SPEAKER DURING NEXT VISIT TO
PARIS. FREUDENHEIM SAYS SECRETARY EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS
PERHAPS FOR TIME OF IMF AND IMF/IBRD MEETINGS IN JUNE.

2. PRESS ASSOCIATION LUNCHEONS ARE CONSIDERED AN
EXCELLENT FORUM HERE AND COULD BE USEFUL MEANS FOR THE
SECRETARY TO EXPRESS HIS VIEWS.

3. PLEASE INFORM US IF SECRETARY IS INDEED PLANNING
SUCH AN APPEARANCE, IN WHICH CASE EMBASSY WOULD GLADLY
HELP WITH ARRANGEMENT.

PARIS 10581 OF APRIL 25:

1. GRANT ESTERLING, PRESIDENT AMERICAN CLUB OF PARIS,
WOULD LIKE TO INVITE SECRETARY SIMON TO BE GUEST OF
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HONOR AT CLUB'S WEEKLY LUNCHEON MEETING DURING

SECRETARY'S VISIT TO PARIS JUNE 9-14. IDEALLY CLUB
WOULD PREFER THURSDAY, JUNE 12, WHICH IS THEIR REGULAR
MEETING DAY, BUT THEY WOULD OF COURSE ACCEPT ALTERNATIVE
DATE, IF THAT MORE CONVENIENT FOR SECRETARY. LUNCHEON
WOULD BEGIN AT ABOUT 12:45 P.M. FOLLOWED BY 15 OR 20
MINUTE SPEECH BY THE SECRETARY ON A SUBJECT OF HIS
CHOICE. ENTIRE EVENT WOULD BE UNDER TWO HOURS.

2. AMERICAN CLUB MEMBERSHIP CONSISTS MAINLY OF
AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN RESIDENT IN PARIS, INCLUDING TOP
LOCAL EXECUTIVES OF ALL THE MANY AMERICAN COMPANIES WITH
INSTALLATIONS HERE. IT ALSO INCLUDES AMERICAN RESIDENTS
IN OTHER FIELDS SUCH AS EMBASSY OFFICERS, EDUCATORS AND
JOURNALISTS, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF PROMINENT
FRENCHMEN WITH CLOSE AMERICAN TIES.

3. NOTE THIS INVITATION IS IN ADDITION TO THE ONE FROM
ANGLO-AMERICAN PRESS CLUB (PARIS 09174).

4. WOULD APPRECIATE REPLY TO AMERICAN CLUB INVITATION
AS SOON AS CONVENIENT, TO ASSIST CLUB IN ITS PROGRAMMING
OF FUTURE SPEAKERS.
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